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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Nobutaka Nakamura)
Serial No.: Not yet assigned) Group Art Unit:
Filed: November 1, 2000) Examiner:

For: COMPUTER SYSTEM AND DATA TRANSFER CONTROL METHOD

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), applicant brings to the Examiner's attention the document listed on attached Form PTO-1449. A copy of the listed document is attached. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the document listed on attached Form PTO-1449 and indicate that it was considered by making an appropriate notation on this form.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed with the above-referenced application.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), applicant would like to point out to the Examiner the following pending application:

(1) U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/605,399 may be related to the present application.

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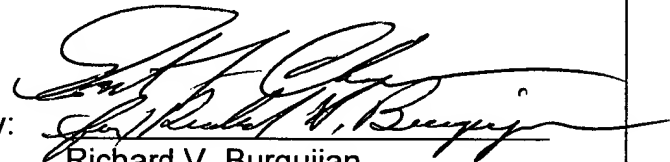
Applicant further reserves the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed document, should the document be applied against the claims of the present application.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Statement, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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